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Highlights of Fall Festival

- Apple Butter
- Butterfly Pork Chops
- Crafts
- Demonstrations of Pioneer Activity
- Steam Engines
- Home Cooked Food
- Home Baked Goods
- Quilts
- China Painting
- Pancakes & Sausage
- Flea Market Items
- Entertainment
- Church Services
- Fall Scenery

Events of Interest

Canton
Noon Hour Brown Bag, each Wednesday
July and August — Jones Park
Canton Classic Drum & Bugle Corps
Spectacular — June, Athletic Field
Canton Friendship Festival, September
Old Settlers Craft Fair, September

Avon
Avon Fat Steer Show, August

Cuba
Soldiers & Sailors Review, June

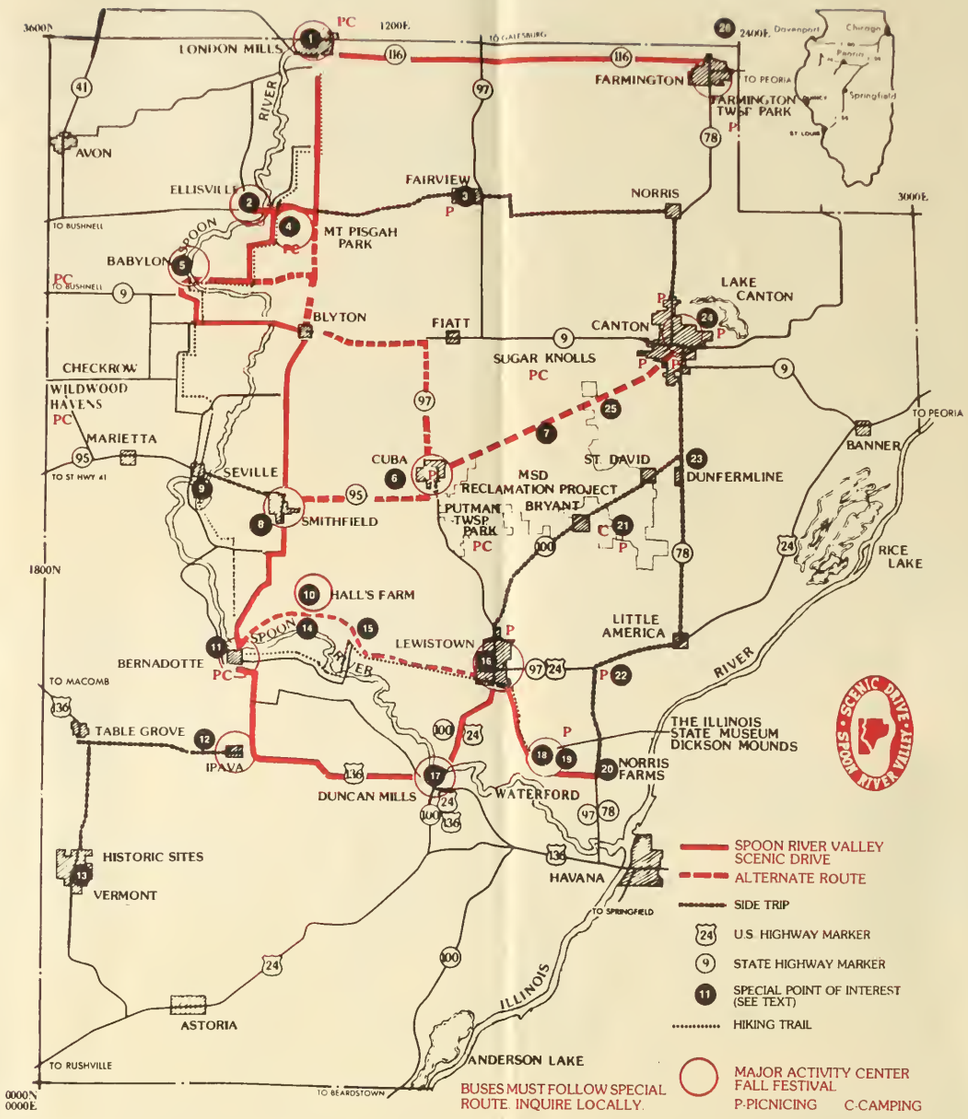
London Mills
Canoe Races, second Sunday July
Homecoming, July
Memorial Day Program

Farmington
Jaycee Farmers Fair, June

Lewistown
Maxwell Days - Last week in May
July 4th Annual Celebration at Fairgrounds
Fulton County Fair, July

Bryant
Fulton County Playhouse Summer Theatre

Fairview
Fairview Homecoming, July



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Year-round Interests

- Country Villages
- Historic Mansions & Sites
- River Mills & Bridges
- Scenic Views
- Country Churches
- Restored Pioneer Buildings
- Apple Orchards
- Museums

additional information on Festival
year-round activities contact:
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Driving Suggestions

The route is on both byways and state highways and will cover approximately 80 miles. Although most of the Drive is oiled, blacktopped or otherwise dust-proofed, there are still some narrow back-roads on some of the Drive. There may be occasional steep hills. Drive defensively; by all means stay on your side of the road.

R:	Restaurant	M-H:	Motel-Hotel
GS:	Gasoline	C:	Camping
GR:	Groceries	Hp:	Hospital
T:	Toilets	FF:	Fall Festival Site
Tel:	Telephone		

ROSS HOTEL MUSEUM

1
London Mills
(NORTH ENTRY)
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- Mill wheels on display at Riverside Park
- Replica of Statue of Liberty, honoring Boy Scouts
- Ross Hotel - typical early 1900's rural hotel
- Iron Bridge

2
Ellisville
(R, GS, GR, Tel, FF)

- Site of first mill on Spoon River
- Picturesque country village
- Opera House
- Illinois' smallest library

3
Fairview
(R, GS, GR, T, Tel)

- Dutch Reformed Church - 1837
  (Oldest Reformed Church west of Allegheny Mts.)

4
Mt. Pisgah Park
(T, FF)

- County Park
- Scenic view of Spoon River Valley

5
Babylon
(FF)

- Babylon Mill Site
- Babylon Store
- Iron Bridge

6
Cuba & Putman Township Park
(R, GS, GR, T, Tel, C, FF)

- Site of first Fulton Co. Strip Mine in early 1920's
- Underground Railway - Early runaway slaves

7
M.S.D. Prairie Plan

- Bluestem Prairie

8
Smithfield
(GS, GR, Tel, T, FF)

- Restored "Calaboose"
- Town Pump

9
Seville

- Site of Old Mill

10
Hall's Farm
(FF)

BERNADOTTE BRIDGE

11
Bernadotte
(R, GR, T, Tel, FF)

- Only Dam on Spoon River
- Site of Camp Ellis during World War II

IPAVA UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

12
Ipava
(R, GR, GS, Tel, T, FF)

- Former Site of Woolen Mills

13
Vermont
(GS, GR, T, Tel)

- Beautiful Historic Mansions

14
Randall Cemetery

- Scenic Pioneer Burial Grounds

15
Providence Church
(FF)

- Country Church and Cemetery

RASMUSSEN MUSEUM

16
Lewistown
(R, GS, GR, Tel, T, M-H, FF)

- Court House
- Home of Edgar Lee Masters
- Historic Churches
- Rasmussen Blacksmith Shop

17
Duncan Mills
(SOUTHERN ENTRY)
(R, GS, Tel, FF)

- Early Entry Point in early settling of county
- 1892 Town Hall
- Replica of covered bridge in park

18
Waterford
(SOUTHEAST ENTRY)
(T, FF)

- Town Hall
- Restored 1839 School House
- Plank Road ticket office

19
Dickson Mounds
(T, Tel)
Phone: (309) 547-3721

- State Museum
- Exhibits show culture of Illinois Indians during Prehistoric time

20
Norris Farms

- One of the largest farms in Illinois

21
Fulton County Conservation Area
(Tel, T, C)

- New and different look at nature through conservation application.

22
Valley View
From Rest Area on Route 24

- Scenic view of rich fertile valley
- Picnic area

23
Dunfermline

- Home of Rev. George Bennard, song writer, author of beloved hymn "Old Rugged Cross"

BIG CREEK PARK PAVILION

24
Canton
(R, GS, GR, T, Tel, M-H, C, Hp, FF)

- Big Creek Park
- Canton Lake
- Wallace Park

25
Spoon River College

SPOON RIVER COLLEGE

- Brochures available
- Arboretum

26
Farmington
(EASTERN ENTRY)
(R, GS, GR, (T, Tel, M-H, FF)

- Site of old fort
- Underground Railway
- Strip Mining Center

CAMPING

Rice Lake Wildlife Refuge
R.R. #3, Canton, Illinois
Phone: 309-647-9184

Anderson Lake Conservation Area
R.R. #1, Astoria, Illinois
Phone: 309-759-4484

Fulton County Conservation Area
P.O. Box 464, St. David, Illinois
Phone: 309-668-2931

Lake Wildwood Haven
325 N. Sperry, Bushnell, Illinois
Phone: 309-772-3454

Riverside Park
London Mills, Illinois
Phone: 309-486-3495

MOTELS

Farmington
WHITE HOUSE
525 N. Main St. 309-245-4727

Canton
SIESTA
W. Locust St. 309-647-1915
HILLTOP
665 W. Locust St. 309-647-7111

Lewistown
COTTONWOOD MOTEL
807 S. Main St. 309-547-3733

Bushnell
MRK MOTEL 309-772-3172

Banner
JERRY'S MOTEL 309-647-4609
BANNER MOTEL 309-647-5044

WAGON WHEEL MOTEL
Junction 41 & 116 309-462-2603

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